

## Christian Ingebrigtsen

### "American High"

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We cut through the backwoods of the Harrison farm  
Jumped over the rock fence under Mr. Jenkins' barn  
Made a beeline down choctaw bend to the pawnee  
bridge and ran into town  
Raced that train to the tracks without slowing down  
We went to see the mason man at old man James' store  
And those rocking chairs weren't rocking  
The answers are gone  
And there's a sign that said "Closed" on the door  
Turned around and ran back to the tracks  
To who the kids had come to call the Reverend railroad  
Miller Jack  
And he'd give you sermons and songs  
All his rights and what's wrongs  
He would sling his guitar with a flag across his lap and  
he'd say  
"Settle down now  
You kids are gonna be okay  
Settle down now  
The boys and girls are fighting for you today  
Settle down now  
I'm gonna tell you what you wanna believe"  
Well he said  
"You dedicate your soul for god, country and Rock 'n  
Roll  
And get America high  
And get America high"  
We filed them questions one by one  
And he knocked 'em down to the ground  
While we stood there in line  
He said  
"I fought with your daddy, child, off the coast of hell in  
the summer of 1969"  
Well I was born in the Vietnam war  
And he died later that same year  
But this country is my rock and my soul rolls from my  
faith in god  
And that's what keeps me here  
"Settle down now  
You kids are gonna be okay  
Settle down now

The boys and girls are fighting for you today  
Settle down now, settle down"  
Well he said  
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Roll  
And get America high  
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